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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**  
**DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a Final action, Quayle action, or a Notice of Allowance. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement includes a certification as specified by Section 1.97(e).

Each document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from the Norwegian Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application, and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the

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This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claims in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.


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Respectfully submitted,

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## **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	5,679,220	10/21/1997	Matthew et al.			

## **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Document Number	Publication Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation Yes or No
WO 97/13723	4/17/1997	PCT			

## **OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**


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